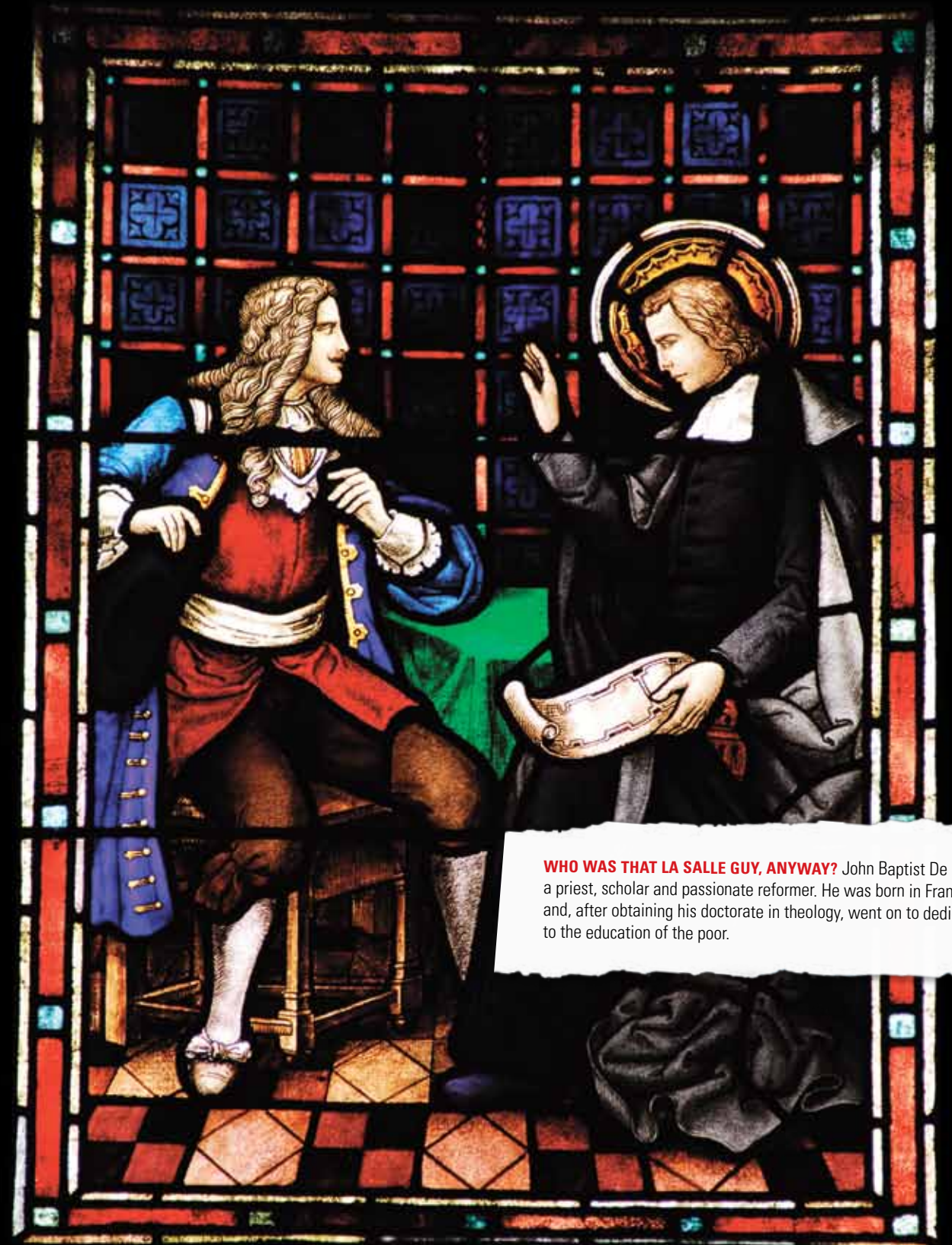


GET READY FOR AN ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT.

And by attitude, we don't mean the obnoxious kind – the in-your-face, I'm-better-than-you-are sort of attitude. At Saint Mary's, it's more about energy. Idealism. Enthusiasm. It's the kind of thing where you know you're smart (and compassionate, and courageous), and you're done apologizing for it.

So, where did all this great “can do” energy come from? In part, it stems from our Lasallian tradition. Saint Mary's was founded in 1863 (yes, we are one of the OLDEST colleges in the West), and is directed by the Christian Brothers, a Catholic order whose founder – Saint John Baptist De La Salle – is the patron saint of teachers. La Salle was famous for his big heart and genuine passion for educational reform. And as a Lasallian college, Saint Mary's is committed to things like social justice and respect for all persons.



WHO WAS THAT LA SALLE GUY, ANYWAY? John Baptist De La Salle was a priest, scholar and passionate reformer. He was born in France in 1651, and, after obtaining his doctorate in theology, went on to dedicate his life to the education of the poor.